THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) If and when the Bill becomes a Law, the Government will explore all possible avenues to protect its interests.

Bar on lawyers from appearing in family courts

442. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that lawyers are prohibited from appearing in family courts which is causing hardship to the women; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take to redress their grievances?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) and (b) As per the provisions of Section 13 of the Family Courts Act, 1984, no party can as of right claim to be represented by a legal practitioner. But if the Family Court considers it necessary in the interest of justice, it may seek the assistance of a legal expert as amicus curiae.

Corruption in Judiciary

443. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the growing public feeling against corruption in judiciary; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken to improve the image of judiciary?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) and (b) The reference is apparently to reports of alleged corruption involving Judges. The Government are of the view that such reports should be looked into by the Judiciary itself, rather than by the Executive. Certain internal measures for checking up allegations of mis-conduct against judges are to be discussed in the Conference of Chief Justices of High Courts Scheduled to be held in August-September, 1990.

Shortfall in the Production of Steel by SAIL

444. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that SAIL production in the year 1989-90 was 10 per cent less than the target; and

(b) if so, what are the main reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI DINESH GOSWAMI): (a) Yes, Sir, Production of saleable steel in the plants of the Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL) during the year 1989-90 was 9.6% less than the target.

(b) The main reasons for shortfall in production were:—

(i) Inadequate and irregulai supplies of metallurgical coal to the steel plants, particularly to Bokaro Steel Plant;

(ii) Constraints of power supplies both qualitative and quantitative, especially in regard to supply from the DVC grid to the Bokaro Steel Plant;

(iii) Shortage of raw materials at Bhilai Steel Plant due to industrial relations problems;

(iv) Poor health of Blast Furnaces at Durgapur Steel Plant which are due for capital repairs and modernisation; and

(v) Managerial shortcomings including somewhat unproductive industrial relations environment at Bokaro and Bhilai.

Credit-Deposit ratio of banks

445. SHRI DEBABRATA BISWAS: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state what is the credit-deposit ratio of commercial banks at present, Statewise?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): As per the data available from Reserve Bank of India, Statewise Credit Deposit ratio of All Scheduled Commercial Banks as at the end of March 1990 (latest available) is given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

(in percent)

Haryana	61.2
Himachal Pradesh	38.5
Jammu & Kashmir	31.8
Punjab	45.5
Rajasthan	62.2
Chandigarh	65.5
Delhi	58.5
Arunachal Pradesh	20.0
Assam	55.5
Manipur	69.9
Meghalaya	24.6
Mizoram	34.2
Nagaland	42.6
Tripura	72.2
Bihar	43.0
Orissa	81.3
Sikkim	28.3
West Bengal	54.9
A. & Nicobar Island	35.1
Madhya Pradesh	68.6
Uttar Pradesh	47.0
Goa	31.9
Gujarat	61.3
Maharashtra	79.7
Dadra & Nagar Haveli	55.5
Daman Diu	22.4
Andhra Pradesh	87.1
Karnataka	90.9
Kerala	64.0
Tamil Nadu	99.4
Lakshdweep	16.1
Pondicherry	57.4

World Bank assistance for Narmada project

446 SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE: SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether environmental concerns with respect to the first phase of the Narmada Project had been met by July 2, 1990 as contemplated; and

(b) whether the World Bank has since sanctioned the credit for the Narmada Project and if so, what are the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI MANUBHAI KOTADIA): (a) Conditions stipulated by the Bank for extension of credit assistance to the Gujarat Water Delivery and Drainage Project, including those relating to Resettlement and Rehabilitation of oustees were met by July 2, 1990.

(b) The Credit assistance has been extended by the World Bank till 1st July, 1991. This assistance is of US $ 150 million, for financing the construction of canal works.